


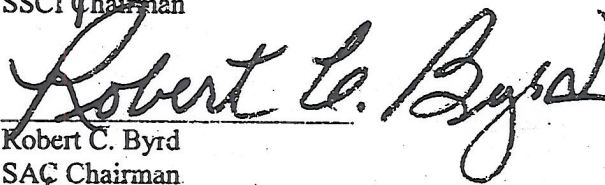
**Memorandum of Agreement between
the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI),
the Senate Appropriations Committee (SAC), and
the Senate Appropriation Committee Subcommittee on Defense (SAC-D)
dated February 28, 2007**


Purpose: To improve congressional oversight of the intelligence activities of the United States Government.

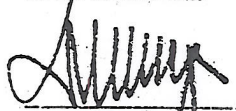
The Chairman of the SSCI and the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the SAC and the SAC-D agree to the following steps to strengthen the congressional authorization and appropriation of intelligence activities:


1. In order to improve the flow of information between the committees, appropriately cleared staff of both the SSCI and SAC will be notified of and allowed to attend the intelligence hearings of the other committee upon request.
2. In order to provide optimum staff support to members, each SSCI member also serving on the SAC-D is permitted to bring an appropriately cleared SSCI staff member to assist the member at SAC-D hearings and during SAC-D markup of bills appropriating funds for the U.S. Intelligence Community.
3. In order to improve coordination between the committees in their respective reviews of intelligence activities, members and appropriately cleared staff of the SAC will be permitted to review any SSCI bill, report and classified annex authorizing the appropriation of funds for the U.S. Intelligence Community prior to SSCI mark-up of the bill. Members and appropriately cleared staff of the SSCI will be permitted to review any SAC-D bill, report and classified annex appropriating funds for the U.S. Intelligence Community prior to SAC-D mark-up of the bill.
4. In order to ensure full consideration is given to congressional oversight efforts, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the SAC-D will have the opportunity to appear before the SSCI to present the views of the SAC-D prior to the markup of a bill authorizing the appropriation of funds for the U.S. Intelligence Community. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the SSCI will have the opportunity to appear before the SAC-D to present the views of the SSCI prior to the markup of a bill appropriating funds for the U.S. Intelligence Community.


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